



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 167

LCO No. 965

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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:
(LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING INDEMNIFICATION OF CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 53-39a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 Whenever, in any prosecution of an officer of the Division of State
4 Police within the Department of Public Safety, or a member of the
5 Office of State Capitol Police or any person appointed under section
6 29-18 as a special policeman for the State Capitol building and
7 grounds, the Legislative Office Building and parking garage and
8 related structures and facilities, and other areas under the supervision
9 and control of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, or a
10 local police department for a crime allegedly committed by such officer
11 in the course of his duty as such, the charge is dismissed or the officer
12 found not guilty, such officer shall be indemnified by his employing
13 governmental unit for economic loss sustained by him as a result of
14 such prosecution, including the payment of [any legal fees necessarily
15 incurred] attorney's fees and costs. Such officer may bring an action in
16 the Superior Court against such employing governmental unit to

17 enforce the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	53-39a
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow an indemnified police officer to recover attorney's fees and costs incurred for such indemnification.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]